

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE TECHNICIAN / AGR ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION (TAAI)

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SCHEDULING "USE OR LOSE" LEAVE TO AVOID FORFEITURE

EXPIRATION 7 JANUARY 2006

- 1. This TAAI is a reminder that "use or lose" annual leave must be scheduled on or before **26 November 2005** to avoid forfeiture.
- 2. The maximum amount of annual leave that can be carried forward into a new leave year is 240 hours. Federal regulations require forfeiture of annual leave in excess of 240 hours after the last day of the current leave year, which is 7 January 2006.
- 3. All technicians should check the "use or use" block on their current Leave and Earning Statement (LES). If the block shows any amount of leave, an OPM-71, Request for Leave or Approved Absence, must be submitted for the amount shown as soon as possible, but not later than 26 November 2005. If a technician fails to request leave by 26 November 2005 and fails to use their use or lose annual leave prior to 7 January 2006, they will **not be entitled to have any lost leave restored.**
- 4. Submit your request(s) to your supervisor. Depending on workload assignments, your supervisor will determine whether your leave request can be approved for the time requested.
- 5. Annual leave can be restored in excess of the maximum leave ceiling if the leave was forfeited because of an administrative error (agency determined); exigency of the public business (agency determines that an exigency is of major importance and that excess annual leave could not be used); or because of sickness (annual leave could not be scheduled because of illness or injury that was of such duration excess annual leave could not be rescheduled).
- 6. Questions regarding this TAAI may be directed to Captain Kenneth R. DeCelle, Supervisory Human Resources Specialist at CAGNET 6-3411, DSN 466-3411, COM (916) 854-3411, or kenneth.decelle@us.army.mil.

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